HOUSE BILL 857 By Newton

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-527, relative to the offense of sexual battery by an authority figure.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-527, is amended by deleting subsection (a)(1)(A) and substituting instead the following:

(A) The defendant was at the time of the offense in a position of trust, or had supervisory or disciplinary power over the victim by virtue of the defendant's legal, professional or occupational status and used such position of trust or power to accomplish the sexual contact; or

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.